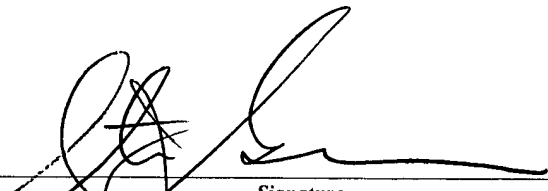
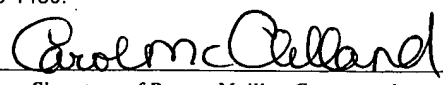
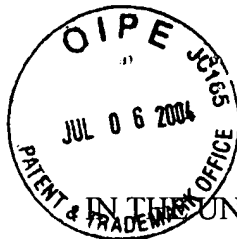


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The references listed on the attached form PTO-1449 relate to the subject matter of the present invention and are brought to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 1.98.

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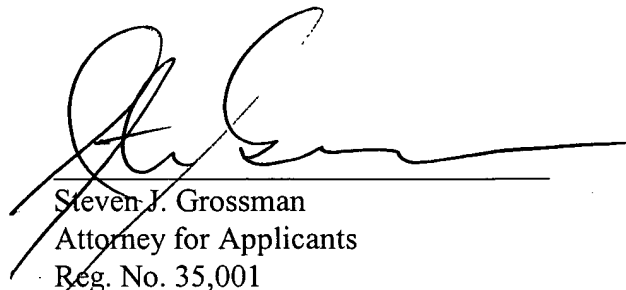
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Finally, the applicant urges that the claims are patentable over the disclosed information.

Respectfully submitted,

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